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Thank you, BACON & THOMAS, PLLC.

Message:

Attached herewith please find the Amendment as filed April 20, 2005 including attachments with the changes as discussed with regard to Figure 4. Thank you for your assistance.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of October 20, 2004, in connection with the above-identified application. The period for response to this Official Action has been extended to expire on April 20, 2005 by the filing herewith of a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and payment of the required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.